All Bonanza Flights Now Turbine Powered

Las Vegas, Nev.—Transition to turbine-powered equipment has been completed by Bonanza Air Lines with the inauguration of Fairchild F-27A schedules on the last route segments formerly served by Douglas DC-3s.

F-27 first was introduced into the airline's route structure in March 1959, and resulted in an increase of 33% in available seat miles. Bonanza now operates a fleet of eight F-27s and holds an option on two more for delivery in 1961. The airline, however, found it necessary to furlough five co-pilots who were no longer needed as the faster, 40-passenger F-27 was phased into operation.